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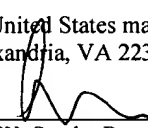
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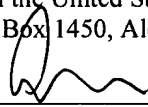
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RESPONSE TO PROPOSED EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

This paper is filed in response to the draft Examiner's Amendment faxed to Applicant's representative by the Examiner on April 22, 2005, as amended by telephone conversation with the examiner on April 26, 2005. A response to the final Office Action mailed January 31, 2005, is due three months from the mailing date of that Office Action. This response is thus timely filed.

The Examiner proposed to amend claim 24 by inserting "of a length of 100 nucleotides or less" before the comma in line 2 of the claim.

Accordingly, Applicant believes claim 24 as proposed to be amended would read as follows: